

AMENDMENT RESPONSIVE TO AN OFFICE ACTION  
(Paper No. 10) MAILED JULY 18, 2001

Responsive to an Office Action (Paper No. 10), mailed July 18, 2001, please amend the application, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 18 and 43.

Please amend claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 11, 14, 15, 17, 19-24, 26-29, 32, 36, 39-40, 44, 46, and 47, as follows:

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1. (Amended) A retaining wall for retaining an embankment or similar structure including a plurality of tyres arranged in a plurality of courses adjacent to the embankment and such that a central axis of each tyre in an outer face of the retaining wall is inclined to both vertical and horizontal.

2. (Amended) A retaining wall as claimed in claim 1 wherein each tyre's central axis is inclined to vertical at a batter angle ranging from 10° to 20°.

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2A. (Amended) A retaining wall as claimed in claim 1 wherein each tyre is at least partially filled with a fill material, and further fill material fills gaps between the tyres, and between the tyres and the embankment.

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4 6. (Amended) A retaining wall as claimed in claim 3 wherein the granular particulate material is selected from a group consisting of cobble, and or shredded tyre.